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SUBJECT: MORE ON ZIMBABWE'S POSITION ON UN SCALES OF ASSESSMENT

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REASONS: 1.5 (B) AND (D).

¶1. (C) POST DELIVERED REF A NON-PAPER TO ZIMBABWE'S MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON DECEMBER 19. ON DECEMBER 20, POLOFF SPOKE TO ISIDORE FUNGAI, ACTING UNDERSECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE MFA TO OBTAIN ZIMBABWE'S REACTION TO THE NON-PAPER. FUNGAI STATED THAT THE AGREEMENT EMERGING IN THE NEGOTIATIONS SOUNDS "MORE REASONABLE," AND THAT HE IS GLAD TO SEE THAT INDIA AND OTHER G-77 COUNTRIES APPEAR TO BE ON BOARD WITH THE AGREEMENT.

¶2. (C) COMMENT: THE MFA STILL HAS NOT MADE AVAILABLE TO US FOREIGN MINISTER MUDENGE'S LETTER TO SECRETARY ALBRIGHT (REF C). GIVEN RECENT REMARKS FROM THE MFA, HOWEVER, IT APPEARS THAT ZIMBABWE IS LEANING TOWARDS SUPPORTING THE US POSITION ON UN SCALES OF ASSESSMENT REFORM. END COMMENT.

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